

# Deploy Tsunami Detection Buoys

At the December 1996, meeting, Bernard reported that the first year's activity of engineering and constructing an operational prototype buoy system was on schedule. It is expected that procurement and fabrication of two buoy systems will be completed in FY 97. A May 1997 deployment of the first system is planned and siting considerations are being discussed in detail. A copy of a technical paper on the research prototype buoy system was distributed ([Real-Time Tsunami Reporting from the Deep Ocean, H.B. Milburn, a.I. Nakamura, and F.I. González. Proceeding of Oceans '96 MTE/IEEE Conference](#)).

The group discussed ways to involve the scientific community in assisting in decisions about siting the buoys for maximum effectiveness. Bernard agreed to develop a draft plan to be presented to the group at the next meeting.